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Programme of meetings and agenda

Scheduled official meetings

Monday, 23 September 2002

Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 4614th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

   Letter dated 20 September 2002 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2002/1055)

   Note verbale dated 20 September 2002 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2002/1056)

Security Council Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Consultation Room

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

3.30 p.m. . . . . 39th meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 7

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Committees

Sixth Committee

3 p.m. . . . . 1st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Working Group on International Convention against the Reproductive Cloning of Human Beings

Afternoon[1]–6 p.m. . . . 1st meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 1

[1] Following the adjournment of the 1st meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10

World Food Programme

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

United Nations International Conference of Civil Society in Support of the Palestinian People

10 a.m. –11 a.m.	Opening session	Conference Room 4
11 a.m. –1 p.m.	1st plenary meeting	Conference Room 4
3–6 p.m.	2nd plenary meeting	Conference Room 4

Investments Committee

9 a.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8
2.30 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8

Economic and Social Council

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Second regular session for 2002

11 a.m.–1 p.m.	30th meeting	Conference Room 2
3–6 p.m.	31st meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Organizational matters (DP/2002/L.3 and DP/2002/L.3/Corr.1, DP/2002/23, DP/2002/24) [1]

2. UNDP: Financial, budgetary and administrative matters (DP/2002/25 and DP/2002/25/Add.1, DP/2002/26 and DP/2002/26/Add.1, DP/2002/31 and DP/2002/32) [2]

3. UNDP: Programming arrangements (DP/2002/28) [3]

[There will be a meeting of the donors group on Monday, 23 September, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room D.]

Other meetings

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Monday, 23 September 2002

Islamic Group *(on Sixth Committee matters) (at the expert level)*

9.15 a.m.–10 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

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Rio Group *(with First Committee experts)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

UNCTAD Briefing on the World Investment Report 2002

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

[A presentation will be made by Mr. Karl Sauvant, Director, Division on Investment, Technology and Enterprise Development, UNCTAD. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. Copies of the report will be available at the meeting.]

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

3-6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

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Latin American and Caribbean Group

3-6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Monday, 23 September 2002

Room S-226

10.30 a.m. . . . . Mr. Kofi Annan, Secretary-General of the United Nations (to present his report on the United Nations reform)

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Committees

First Committee

The First Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and related inter-national security agenda items from Monday, 30 September, to Friday, 11 October 2002. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact the secretariat of the First Committee (Mr. Eduard Fesko (tel. 1 (212) 963-7169; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Delegations are reminded that names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Mohammad K. Sattar, Secretary of the First Committee (room S-2977H; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 1st meeting on Thursday, 26 September 2002, 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The agenda will be: (a) Election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur; and (b) Organization of work (A/C.4/57/1[1] and A/C.4/57/L.1[1]).

The Committee will begin its substantive work on Monday, 30 September, at 3 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will begin on Monday, 30 September (see document A/C.4/57/L.1[1]), are kindly requested to notify Ms. Catherina Dakay (room S-2977; tel. 1 (212) 963-9223).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are to be submitted to Ms. Lesley M. Wilkinson, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2977K; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold its 1st meeting on Tuesday, 24 September 2002, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.2/57/L.1. The Committee will also begin its general debate on Monday, 30 September, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The Under-Secretary-General, Mr. Nitin Desai, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will make a statement. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Second committee, *will be open at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, 24 September*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Thompson (tel. 1 (212) 963-2183; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

[1] To be issued.

Third Committee

The Third Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 26 September 2002, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.3/57/L.1[1]. The Committee will also begin consideration of the items entiled "Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice" and "International Drug Control" on Monday, 30 September, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee will be open at 3 p.m. on Monday, 23 September. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the Acting Secretary of the Committee (Mr. Alexandre De Barros or Mrs. Lydia Bawar, (tel. 1 (212) 963-2320 and 963-5973; fax 1 (212-963-5935).

Delegations are also requested to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to Mr. Alexandre De Barros, Acting Secretary of the Committee (room S-2950G; fax 1 (212)-963-5935)

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 1st meeting on Wednesday, 25 September 2002, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider the following issues: (a) Election of Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur; (b) Organization of work (A/C.5/57/1[1], A/C.5/57/L.1[1] and A/C.5/57/L.2[1]); and (c) Letter dated 27 June 2002 from the Acting President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/56/46).

[1] To be issued.

Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the General Assembly for the Final Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s
Substantive session

The substantive session of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the General Assembly for the Final Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s will be held from 24 to 26 September 2002 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Secretariat of the Committee (Mr. Tam Chung (tel. 1 (212) 963-1901; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

The Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples will hold its 11th meeting on Thursday, 26 September 2002, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The agenda will be as follows:

1. Consideration of the draft Report of the United Nations Mission to Tokelau, 2002 (A/AC.109/2002/CRP.2)[1]
2. Other matters

[1] To be issued.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

The oral briefing by the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism to interested Member States of the United Nations, scheduled for Monday, 23 September 2002, has been postponed to Tuesday, 24 September, at 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Other forthcoming meetings

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International Labour Organization Briefing on "Combating the Employment Crisis"

There will be a briefing on the theme "Combating the Employment Crisis", organized by the International Labour Organization (ILO), on Tuesday, 24 September 2002, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room A. A presentation will be made by Mr. Eddy Lee, ILO Senior Economic Advisor. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

For further information, please contact Ms. Caroline Lewis, New York ILO Liaison Office (tel. 1 (212) 697-0150, ext. 102).

UNITAR Briefing on Developments in Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS) of the Office of Legal Affairs are jointly organizing a briefing on developments in ocean affairs and the law of the sea 20 years after the conclusion of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. This briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York on Wednesday and Thursday, 25 and 26 September 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in *Conference Room 5*. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-9684).

Briefing on reports submitted to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly under agenda items 104 and 105

There will be a briefing on reports submitted to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly under agenda items 104 (Advancement of women) and 105 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century"). The briefing, organized by the Division for the Advancement of Women, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will take place on Thursday, 26 September 2002, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Meeting of the Group of Interested States in Practical Disarmament Measures
(at the level of Deputy Permanent Representatives)

A meeting of the Group of Interested States for Practical Disarmament Measures *(at the level of Deputy Permanent Representatives)* will be held on Thursday, 26 September 2002, at 3 p.m. at the German House (871 United Nations Plaza, 22nd floor).

The meeting will be chaired by the Acting Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations, H.E. Dr. Hanns Schumacher, and will be addressed by the Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala. Deputy Permanent Representatives of interested Member States and their Disarmament experts are invited to participate.

Briefing following the annual meeting of the IMF and the World Bank

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing by Mr. Eduardo Doryan, Special Representative of the World Bank to the United Nations, and Mr. Reinhard Munzberg, Special Representative of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to the United Nations, on the results of the meetings of the International Monetary, the Financial Committee and the Development Committee, which will be held in Washington on Saturday, 28 September 2002. The communiqués of the two Committees will be available at the briefing. After an introductory presentation, Mr. Doryan and Mr. Munzberg will be available to respond to questions. This briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York on Tuesday, 1 October 2002, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 27 September. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

UNITAR Workshop Series entitled "Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology"

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) has organized the new Series entitled "Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology", under the auspices of the ICT Task Force and the Working Group on Informatics. This programme is being implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of Intel Corporation, Inc. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which is currently being repeated four times a year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on (a) Introduction to Computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet Search Basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page Design Basics and Usability Techniques; and is geared towards all diplomats. The fifth module, which is conducted as an interactive seminar, covers "Policy Awareness and Security Issues on Information Technology" and is aimed essentially at ambassadors and senior diplomats and open to members of the United Nations staff as well as non-governmental organizations.

The fourth and last cycle of the 2002 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held on every alternate Friday *from 4 October to 15 November 2002.* For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Tuesday, 3 September 2002, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Third Committee of the General Assembly

Copies of the revised document containing the proposed organization of work of the Third Committee are available in room S-2950.

Deadline for the nomination of candidates for election as permanent judges of the International Tribunal for Rwanda

Member States and non-Member States maintaining permanent observer missions at United Nations Headquarters are reminded that the deadline for the nomination of candidates for election as permanent judges of the International Tribunal for Rwanda will expire on Monday, 23 September 2002. Any nominations that they may wish to make should be communicated the Legal Counsel (room S-3427A) before the close of business of that day.

Credentials of representatives to the fifty-seventh session

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358; room S-3420A.)

Summary of meetings

Friday, 20 September 2002

Security Council

4613th meeting

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Terje Roed-Larsen, Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process and Personal Representative of the Secretary-General.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Council heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Terje Roed-Larsen.

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

18th plenary meeting

Statement by the President on the occasion of the International Day of Peace

The President made a statement.

Address by H.E. Mr. Gustavo Noboa Bejarano, President of the Republic of Ecuador

H.E. Mr. Gustavo Noboa Bejarano, President of the Republic of Ecuador, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Alhaji Ahmad Tejan Kabbah, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone

H.E. Alhaji Ahmad Tejan Kabbah, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Askar Akaev, President of the Kyrgyz Republic

H.E. Mr. Askar Akaev, President of the Kyrgyz Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate

H.E. The Right Honourable Barnabas Sibusiso Dlamini, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Swaziland, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mrs. Kristiina Ojuland, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Estonia; H.E. Mr. Rashid Abdullah Al-Noaimi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates; H.E. Mr. Baboucarr-Blaise Ismaila Jagne, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of the Gambia; H.E. Mr. Ahmed Tahir Baduri, Chairman of the Delegation of Eritrea; H.E. Mr. Ion Botnaru, Chairman of the Delegation of the Republic of Moldova and H.E. Mr. Patrick Albert Lewis, Chairman of the Delegation of Antigua and Barbuda.

19th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 19th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2002/186).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Accession: Afghanistan (19 September 2002)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Ratification: Morocco (19 September 2002)[1]

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Morocco (19 September 2002)[1]

Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Signature: Estonia (20 September 2002)

Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Signature: Estonia (20 September 2002)

Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 31 May 2001

Signature: Estonia (20 September 2002)

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court. New York, 9 September 2002

Signature: Mali (20 September 2002)

United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. New York, 9 May 1992

Ratification: Afghanistan (19 September 2002)[1]

Convention on Biological Diversity. Rio de Janeiro, 5 June 1992

Ratification: Afghanistan (19 September 2002)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

International Day of Peace

On the occasion of the International Day of Peace, the Staff Union has committed to sponsor a continuous vigil, in the United Nations Meditation Room, until midnight 21 September. This extended period of observation symbolizes the international representation of the United Nations. Members of delegations and Secretariat staff who wish to participate to maintain a constant observance in the Meditation Room during this period are encouraged to sign up for a minimum 15 minute time period (please check to see what times are available at www.unstaffunion.org) and notify Ms. Monique Zabal, zabal@un.org, of your preferred time).

Women's International Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on Wednesday, 25 September 2002, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. A presentation will be made by Mr. Stephen Lewis, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for HIV/AIDS in Africa, on "Where AIDS is Concerned, Gender Inequality is Lethal". Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of September 2002 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Côte d'Ivoire
H.E. Mr. Djessan Philippe Djangone-Bi

Asian States:
Iran (Islamic Republic of)
H.E. Mr. M. Javad Zarif

Eastern European States:
Ukraine
H.E. Mr. Valery P. Kuchinsky

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Suriname
H.E. Mrs. Irma E. Loemban Tobing-Klein

Western European and other States:
Portugal
H.E. Mr. Gonçalo de Santa Clara Gomes

Web sites

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:
www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm
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